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- 1. THE EMBASSY CONFIRMS THAT THE GOI HAS SANCTIONED THE EXPORT OF SILVER IN THE FORM OF BUILLION, SHEETS AND PLATES, EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 17, 1974 (SEE REF (B)).
- 2. "FINANCIAL EXPRESS" OF FEBRUARY 27 REPORTS, HOWEVER, THAT SILVER EXPORTS HAVE FAILED TO START BECAUSE OF CONFUSION CONCERNING GOI POLICY. CONGEN BOMBAY SOURCES SAY POLICY IS CLEAR BUT IMPLEMENTATION HAS BEEN HELD UP PENDING OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION TO THE JOINT CHIEF CONTROLLER OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY HIS SUPERIORS IN DELHI.
- 3. TRAEING SOURCES IN BOMBAY ESTIMATE THAT EXPORTS COULD TOTAL AS MUCH AS 30 MILLION OUNCES ANNUALLY. THIS WOULD BE EQUAL TO \$150 MILLION AT CURRENT SILVER PRICES IN INDIA, OR ABOUT TWICE THE LEVEL OF ESTIMATED ILLEGAL EXPORTS IN 1973.

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